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compilation. In this way credit due other investigators appears to belong to EWART, and no one has suffered more in this respect than the writer.—WILLIAM CROCKER, *The University of Chicago*.

RESPIRATION CALORIMETER

On p. 133 of the second edition of Professor W. F. GANONG's admirable *Laboratory course in plant physiology*, which has just appeared, and a copy of which has come into my hands through his courtesy, I am interested to find a Dewar flask figured as a respiration calorimeter. Before my recent paper was published (BOT. GAZETTE 46:193-202. 1908), I wrote to Mr. GANONG, knowing that he was preparing a second edition of his book, asking him to put my calorimeter into it. He wrote that his book had already gone to press. When my paper appeared he wrote again, saying that he "had been using the Dewar bulbs as a respiration calorimeter some four years past. . . . Of course the point about the prior use of the bulbs is of no consequence whatever, and I mention it now because of the coincidence in your asking me to mention their use in my book."

So far as priority of use is concerned, it lies obviously with Mr. GANONG. To acknowledge this, and to record another of the curious coincidences which after all are not altogether rare in the history of science, is the purpose of this note.—GEORGE J. PEIRCE, *Leland Stanford Junior University*.

CRATAEGUS IN COLORADO

The attention of the writer has been called by Mr. W. W. EGGLESTON to a misstatement in an article in this journal for November, 1908. On p. 382, line 4, I should have said that the species described resembles most *C. erythropoda*, of the forms known to the writer in northern Colorado.—FRANCIS RAMALEY, *Boulder, Colorado*.